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News

International DX Association –press release

The International DX Association, INDEXA, is celebrating its 40th anniversary in September of 2023. Over the last 40 years, INDEXA has sponsored hundreds of DXpeditions to dozens of DX entities around the world. Consistent with its name, INDEXA has contributed to DXpedition teams from multiple nations. INDEXA is an international organization.

INDEXA began as a few men supplying or loaning equipment to DXpedition groups. Over the last 40 years it has grown to become a major financial partner and sponsor of DXpeditions. In recent years, with the sponsorship of JH1AJT (SK), INDEXA added its Humanitarian Aid Fund. This fund can provide humanitarian aid to local people living in some of the entities DXpeditions visit.

All of this is possible because of the support of INDEXA's members and there are nearly 1,000 of them worldwide. INDEXA's officers and Board of Directors volunteer their time and talents to make all of this happen.

To celebrate its 40th anniversary and successes, INDEXA is proud to announce and sponsor The INDEXA International QSO Party. This on the air event will run from September XX to September XX of 2023 and utilize 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, and 10 meters with SSB, CW, and RTTY modes.

The event is for everyone worldwide. Both members and non-members of INDEXA are welcomed and encouraged to participate and compete for awards. A user defined contest module is available for use in the N1MM Logger + logging program which will log each QSO, track multipliers, and calculate your score. Full details are available on the INDEXA QSO Party website:

<https://indexaqso.com>

This is intended to be a fun and enjoyable event. You may operate as much or as little as you like, be competitive or just relax and chat with fellow DXers from time to time, operate on different modes, chase multipliers or bonus stations, or seek an award for the top score in your country.

Please join us. Visit our website. Have fun and let's celebrate the DXing we all enjoy so much.

Ralph – K0IR

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TX5S Clipperton Island –update

Clipperton Island, the atoll in the eastern Pacific Ocean, has a storied history of presidential visits, castaways waiting to be rescued, government squabbles over ownership and, of course, ham radio DXpeditions. In January 2024, the Perseverance DX Group will add their names to the history of this rare entity that is #38 on the Club Log's most wanted list. In this conversation, PDXG co-founder and Clipperton co-organizer, Dave Lloyd K3EL, offers an overview of their activation plans as well as specifics about equipment, antennas, operating schedules and more. Learn about the team behind the 2024 Clipperton DXpedition in anticipation of getting this rare one in your log early next year. <https://www.dx-world.net/video-update-tx5s-clipperton-island/>

International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend

International Lighthouse und Lightship Weekend, ILLW The upcoming weekend will see this year's edition of the ILL Weekend. For a list of participating stations and locations see illw.net

For some reason or other August seems to have become the international weekend for lighthouses. Countries all over the world have become involved in one or another of lighthouse activity. Some years ago the United States Congress declared August 7th as their National Lighthouse Day and during that first week in August amateur radio operators in America set up portable stations at lighthouses and endeavour to make contact with each other. This event is known as the US National Lighthouse Week.

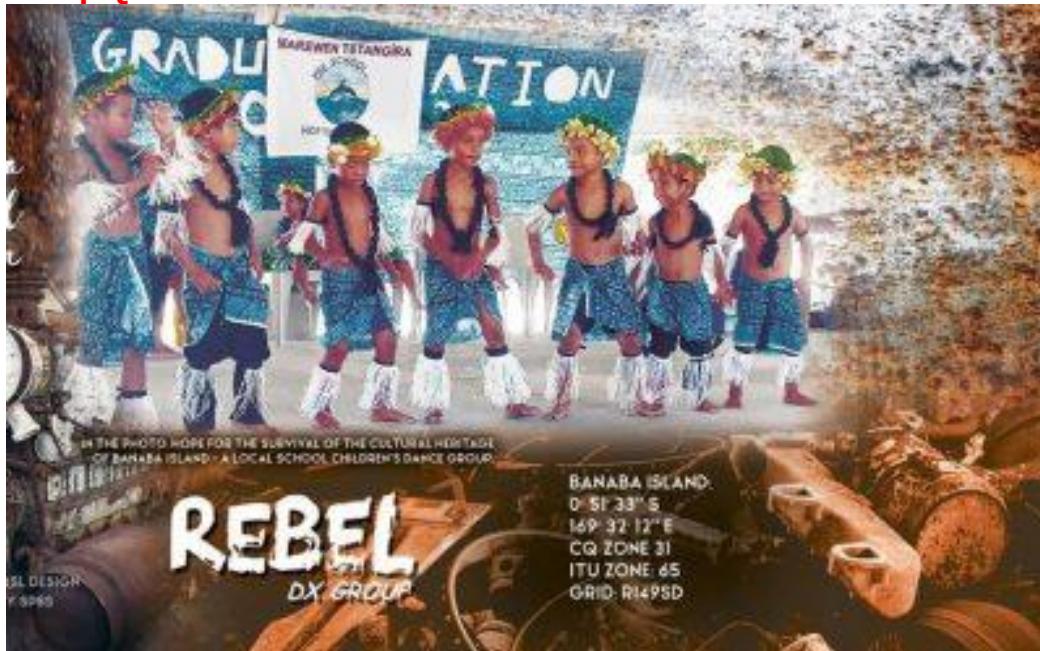
In Britain the Association of Lighthouse Keepers, ALK, conducts International Lighthouse Heritage Weekend on the same weekend as the ILLW in August. Their objective is to encourage Lighthouse managers, keepers and owners to open their lighthouse or lightstation and related visitors centres to the public with a view to raising the profile of lighthouses, lightvessels and other navigational aids, and preserving our maritime heritage.

However, the major event which takes place in August is the International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend, ILLW, which came into being in 1998 as the Scottish Northern Lights Award run by the Ayr Amateur Radio Group. The history of this event can be found elsewhere on this site. The ILLW usually takes place on the 3rd full weekend in August each year and attracts over 500 lighthouse entries located in over 40 countries. It is one of the most popular international amateur radio events in existence probably because there are very few rules and it is not the usual contest type event. It is also free and there are no prizes for contacting large numbers of other stations. There is little doubt that the month of August has become "Lighthouse Month" due largely to the popularity and growth of the ILLW.

W8S Swains Island –update

With POTA (Parks on the Air) now becoming more popular by the day, DX-World recently received word that the W8S Swains Island DXpedition will now also be a POTA activation. The entry has just been finalized and it is park **K-9754**, Swains Island Marine Sanctuary.

Rebel DX Group QSL status



First part: 40,000 QSL cards are sent. Another 40K cards will be sent in about 10-15 days and another 30K cards in about 30 days. This includes cards for the following activities:

3D2CR Conway Reef

3D2RRR Rotuma island

3D2AJT in memory of Zorro JH1AJT

T33T Banaba island.

Cards for **T31TT**, **T30UN** and **3D2USU** will be sent after that. All activities are DXCC valid. LoTW is usually sent A short time after your request on Club Log.

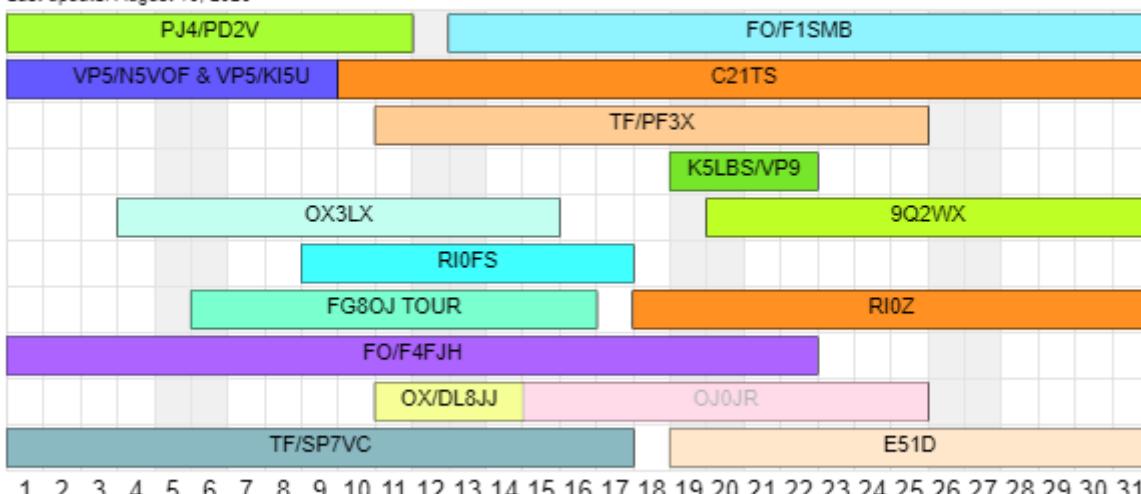
There is now over 600,000 QSOs made by Rebels in the last 2+ years from the Pacific and more than 30,000 ATNOs.

T22T activity from Tuvalu will take place in September. FT8 and CW will be priority.

DXCC Timeline

FEATURED DXPEDITIONS TIMELINE

Last update: August 16, 2023



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AUGUST

IK8LOV Max Laconca

DXCC

This week on air

This can change daily, please visit <https://www.dx-world.net/> for updates.

9Q, DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO Vlad, OK2WX will be active as 9Q2WX between August 20 and September 9. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via IZ8CCW. <https://www.mdxc.support/9q3wx/>

C2, NAURU Phil, 3D2TS is QRV as C21TS, he mentions '*I am currently only doing FT8 and maybe FT4. I will be using MSHV, so call with signal report if you want. HOWEVER I do NOT recommend that you do this. If you are EU or NA / SA always call with grid square. If I am using MSHV, with a queue sorted on distance, it needs the grid square for the distance calculation. Like that EU, NA and SA will take precedence over Asian callers. EU openings are not that often so if I see they are struggling with a wall of JA, I will go to preference for distance. I go out of my way to work JA as they are almost 24/7 here. EU is not. I also sometimes flip the queue if I have some OC callers. I try to be fair to everyone. I will start on normal FT8 frequencies and if it gets busy move elsewhere. I hope to do some SSB as conditions pick up towards the end of the year. Remember, I am here for the long term so don't get too excited about missing me or sending me 1000 emails. We are coming into the best part of the year. Just be patient and keep at it. Please don't ask for scheds, I just don't have the time as yet.'*'

CN, MOROCCO Michel, F5LRL is operating from near Kenitra as CN2DX until August 16. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using CW and SSB. QRV mainly in his morning and evening. QSL via home call.

E5, NORTH COOK E51D will be on the air from N. Cook Islands, Penhryn Atoll, grid BI11, from August 19 to September 10. Bands activated will be 160 to 10m and 6m. Modes will be CW, SSB and FT8 (F/H). Like on previous RIB activations, there will be a number of local and remote operators. Local operators will be HA7RY, KN4EEI, HA5YG and AA7JV. Remote operators will be announced later. Although out of season, an effort will be made to work 160 meters.



FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA Eric, F4FJH is currently active as FO/F4FJH from Moorea island until August 22. QSL via LoTW.

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA Yann, F1SMB is once again QRV as FO/call until September 5. Operation on 20, 17, 15 and 10 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW.

ISLAND	GRID	IOTA	First QSO	Last QSO
TAHITI	BH52ek	OC-046	13/08/23	15/08/23
MOOREA	BH52cl	OC-046	15/08/23	17/08/23
TAHITI	BH52ek	OC-046	17/08/23	20/08/23
BORA BORA	BH43dl	OC-067	20/08/23	23/08/23
TAHITI	BH52ek	OC-046	23/08/23	25/08/23
FAKARAVA	BH73hn	OC-066	25/08/23	28/08/23
TAHITI	BH52ek	OC-046	28/08/23	05/09/23



FS, ST MARTIN Burt, FG8OJ is active until August 16. Operation low power on 10 and 6 meter with a dipole.

HL, SOUTH KOREA Look for Wouter PB1WL as HL4/call until August 16. QSL via home call.

JD1, MINAMI TORISHIMA Take, JG8NQJ/JD1 is once again operating on HF using CW with some FT8. QRV until end October. QSL via JA8CJY, LoTW.

OJ0, MARKET REEF Henri, OH3JR is QRV as OJ0JR until August 26. Operation during his spare time on HF using CW, FT8 with perhaps some SSB. QSL via home call, Club Log.

TF, ICELAND Mek SP7VC and Kasia SQ7OYL are operating as TF/SP7VC until August 17. They are travelling by motorhome so are able to take all their needed amateur radio equipment. They're planning to be active on 14 MHz bands and in the VHF segment on 50, 70 and 144MHz bands with amplifiers.

TK, CORSICA Alex, SQ9UM is operating as TK/call in 'holiday-style' between August 18 and August 31. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT4/8. QSL via home call, Club Log OQRS.

V3, BELIZE Jeff, W3AAB is active as V31JN until August 25. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

V4, ST KITTS Gary, G0FWX is once again active in 'holiday-style' as V47FWX until August 26. Operation using SSB. QSL via M0URX OQRS.

V5, NAMIBIA Dieter, DL5GAN is active as V5/call from multiple locations until September 7. QRV with QRP power from 40 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via homecalls.

VP9, BERMUDA Jeff, K5BLS will be operating as call/VP9 from Theo's Cove between August 19-22. Operation on 20 and 17 meter. QSL via home call direct.

<https://www.qrz.com/db/K5BLS/VP9>

XZ, MYANMAR Akio, JE2QIZ is operating as XZ2B from Yangon until end September. QRV on 15, 12, 10 and 6 meter using CW. QSL via JH3SIF.

Z2, ZIMBABWE Eddy, OE3SEU is active as Z21MV, mostly via QO-100 until end August. QSL via LOTW.

Coming up soon

Pacific Tour by Uli DL2AH

KH0, MARIANA ISL Rota Island August 31-September 14 as KH0/call

KH2, GUAM September 16-30 as KH2/call

V7, MARSHALL ISL October 3-15 (call pending)

V6, MICRONESIA October 18-30 as V63AH

Operation from 80 to 6 meter using SSB and FT8.

T8, PALAU Yas JA6UBY and Hide JH6JWE will be active as T88RR and T88HV from Koror (OC-009). Operation between August 29 and September 4 on various bands using SSB and digi. QSL T88RR via LotW or direct via JA6UBY, QSL T88HV via Club Log OQRS, LoTW or via JH6JWE.

V4, ST KITTS Once again, V47JA will be operating between August 28 and September 12. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using SSB. QSL via W5JON direct or LotW.

IOTA

This week on air

AFRICA

AF-010 Bioko Isl Ersoy, TA2OM remains active as 3C3CA until August 30. QSL via home call.

AF-064 Robben Isl The ZS9V team will be QRV during August 18-20. QRV from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SB and FT8. More to follow.

ASIA

AS-039 Commander Isl A team with R7AA, UA7A, UA6EX and RM0F will be QRV as RI0Z between August 18 and September 3. QSL via Club Log OQRS or via R7AA.

<https://dxpedition.wixsite.com/ri0z/>

AS-062 Shikotan Isl Look for RI0FS by the Russian Robinson Club until August 17. Last operation goes back in 2016. QSL via RN3RS. See their website for more details.

https://www.rdxco.org/RR/club_e.htm

EUROPE

Road trip by Chris OE6CUD

EU-033 Vesteralen

EU-046 Senja

EU-055 Vaeroy

EU-076 Lofoten

Look for Chris from these islands until end October. Operation as LA/call on HF and QO-100. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

EU-028 Elba Domenico IK1MNF is active as call/IA5 until end September. Operation from 20 to 6 meter. The equipment consists of verticals and a FinnFet-PA. QSL via home call.

EU-067 Gaidouronisos Isl Look for SZ8G by the Cyclades DX Club on August 19-20 during the Lighthouse Weekend. Operation with 10 operators from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW, Club Log OQRS. This lighthouse first operated in 1834 and was built by the French lighthouse company. The height of the cylindrical tower is 29 meters and its focal height is 68 meters. It is located in front of , Syros island, on the small uninhabited island of Gaidouronisi or Didimi.

It was founded on January 25, 1834, in the first year of Otto's reign, at royal expense, and is the work of the Bavarian architect Johann Erlacher. He joined the Greek lighthouse network after the Balkan Wars in 1912-13. Part of the lighthouse was destroyed during World War II.

It was repaired in 1948 and since then it has been operating, emitting 1 white light every 2 minutes. It is the oldest and at the same time the tallest lighthouse of the Greek lighthouse network <https://www.qrz.com/db/SZ8ERS?aliasFrom=SZ8G>

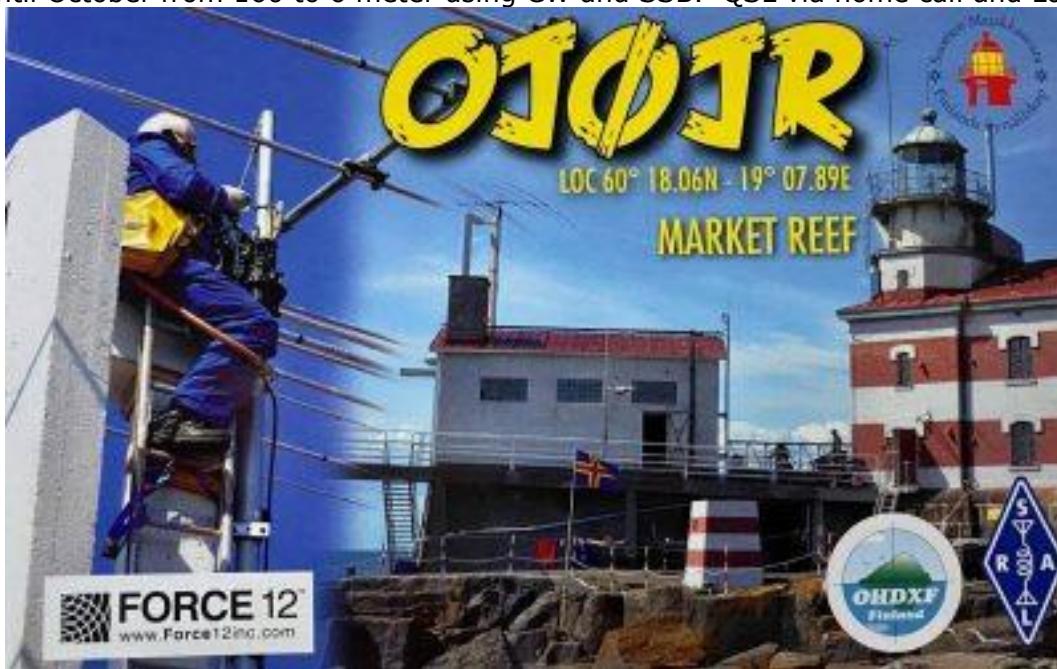
EU-095 Frioul Isl George F5MAG is active as TM0MM until August 19. QRV from 40 to 6 meter using SSB, CW and FT8. QSL via the bureau to F5MAG.

NORTH AMERICA

NA-198 Bell Isl Members of the Kraken DX Club are going to participate in the International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend as VO1KDX/LH. Their trip depends on weather conditions and available ferry services. QSL via VO1KDX (d), LoTW, eQSL.

OCEANIA

OC-067 Huahine Isl Didier, F6BCW is operating as FO/call from Huahine Island OC-067. Activity until October from 160 to 6 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via home call and LoTW.



Coming up soon

EUROPE

EU-012 Fair Isle Col MM0NDX and Jonathan MM0OKG will be active as MS0INT/P during August 25-28. This will be a lightweight DXpedition due to flight baggage restrictions. Last activated in 2015. With a population of just 55 people, Fair Isle is Britain's most remote inhabited island. Marooned halfway between the Shetland and Orkney archipelagos, this tiny dot of an island is often not shown on maps.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announced DX

THE NEWCOMERS

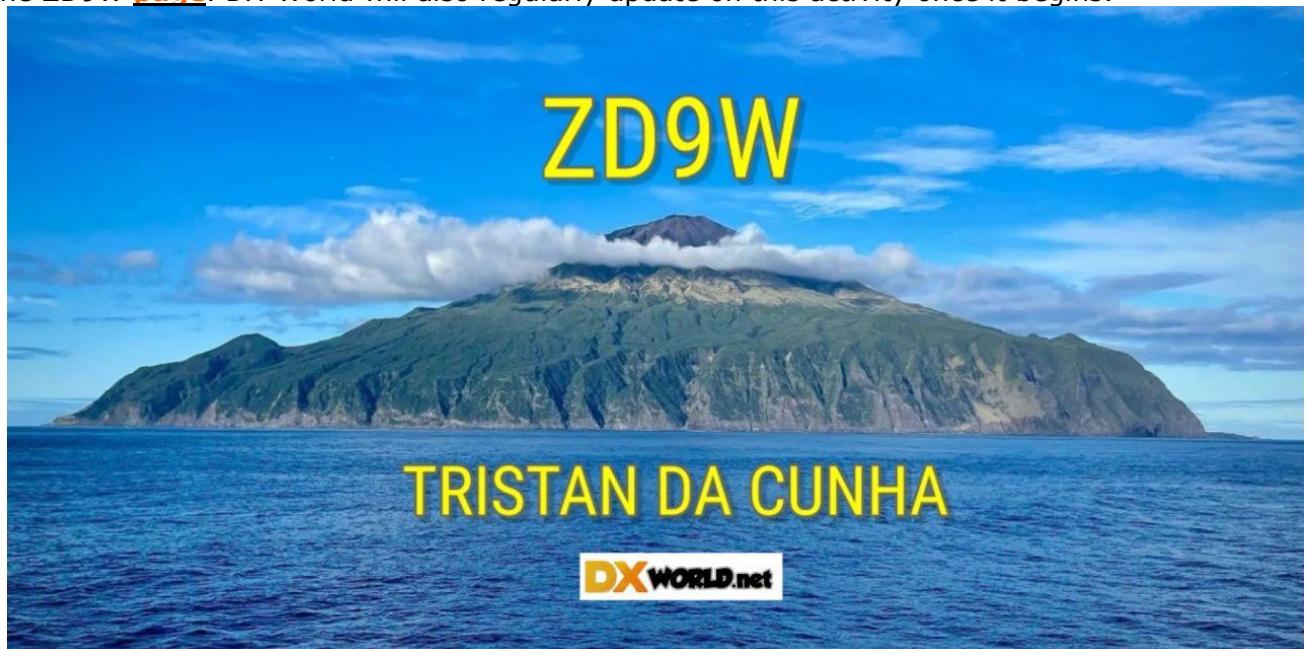
FH, MAYOTTE The F6KOP team will be operating as TO8FH between October 10 and October 22. 12 Operators will be QRV from 160 to 6 meter and QO-100. <https://to8fh.wordpress.com/>

FW, WALLIS & FUTUNA Jacky ZL3CW will be operating during November 20-30. It's a CW only operation with focus on the WARC bands. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included. Call pending.

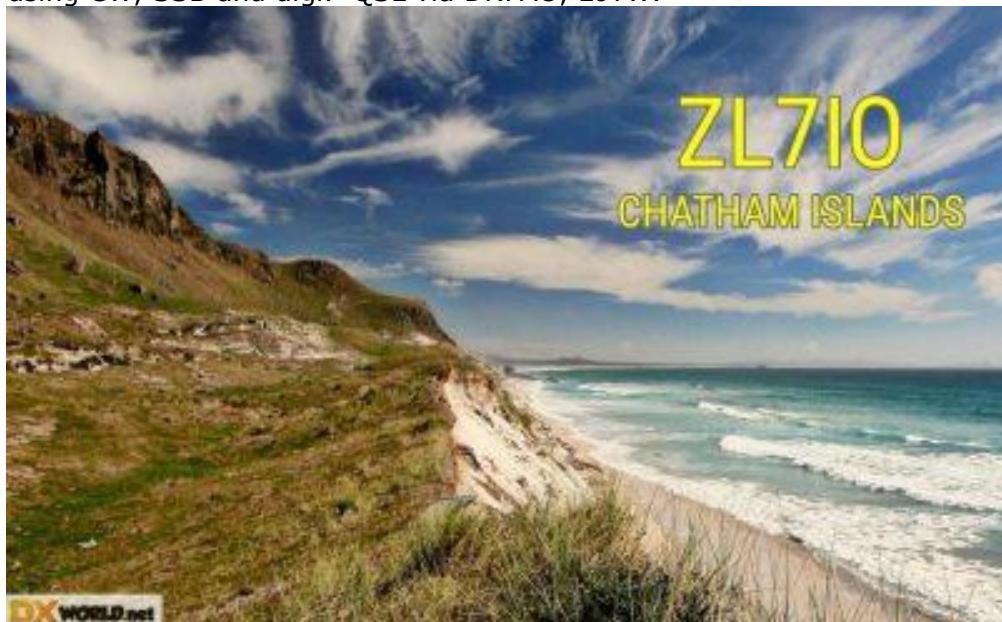
PYOT, TRINDADE Fabio PY1ZV, Stephano PT2IC and Breto PY6RT will be QRV as PROY no later than November 2023. Operation for 3 or 4 days with 2 stations using CW, SSB and FT8. Due to the difficulty in getting to the remote island, as well as the rigorous protocols for authorization of travel there, since the place constitutes an environmental protection area with fairly restricted visits, the activation of the island is a rare event. The last DXpedition to Trindade took place in 2015 (PQ0T). From then on, the island remains devoid of activity. <http://www.pr0t.com.br/home/>

ZA, ALBANIA Chris, OE6VCG will be active as ZA/call from Shkoder between September 20 and October 1. Operation using FT4/8 and JT65. QSL via LoTW and home call.

ZD9, TRISTAN DA CUNHA Yuris YL2GM will be operating as ZD9W between September 24 and October 22. A solo activity, you can find out full details including bands and modes by visiting the ZD9W [page](#). DX-World will also regularly update on this activity once it begins.



ZL7, CHATHAM ISL Look for Holger ZL3IO sometime in September as ZL7IO. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via DK7AO, LoTW.



THE REMINDERS

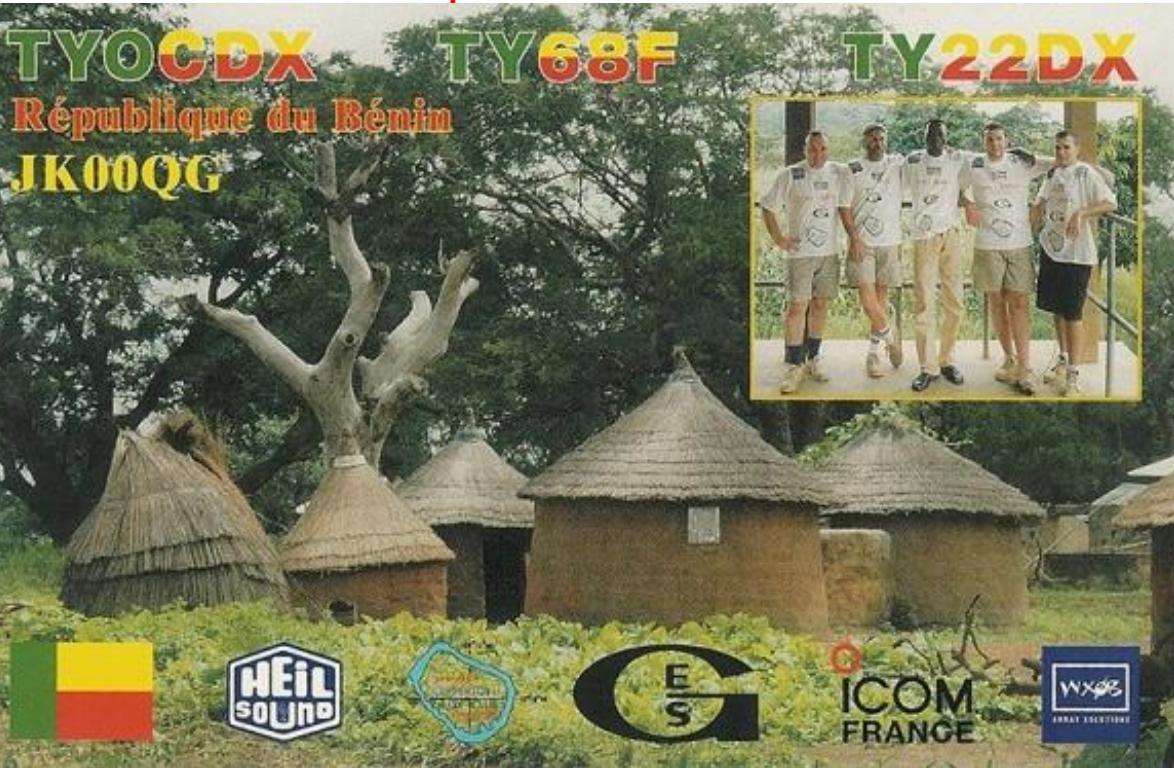
3B8, MAURITIUS David, OK6DJ will be operating as 3B8/call between February 20 and February 27, 2024. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using CW and FT8 using a vertical and dipole antenna. QSL via home call, LoTW, OQRS.

3B9, RODRIGUES ISL Kazu, M0CFW (JK3GAD) will once again be active as 3B9KW during the CQWW CW contest (November 25-26). Activity before/after contest (November 19 to December 1) as 3B9/M0CFW. QSL via LoTW.

3B9, RODRIGUES ISL Ivan, IK3ZAQ and Luca IV3JVJ will be QRV as 3B9AT between December 7 and January 6, 2024. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via IV3JVJ, LoTW.

4W, TIMOR LESTE A large team of operators will be operating as 4W8X in November 2023. Operation 24/7 on all bands using CW, SSB and digi. Also EME 144Mhz, 432Mhz and 1296 Mhz. An entry in the CQWW DX CW contest is included. 4W8X will have a 80m 4-Square (controller and cables sponsored by DXEngineering, many thanks). 160m will use a well-proven Titanex V160 Vertical with extensive Radials. Both antennas as close to the ocean as possible. For Receiving, we'll have two Beverages (~250m long) plus filtering/switching network to listen in four directions, independently on 160m and 80m: Europe (short path), North America (short path) Africa, same as North America (long path), South America, same as Europe (long path) 4W8X will also have two 40m 4-Squares and two 30m 4-Squares, TNX to DXEngineering. We'll not only have the equipment, we'll also have the right operators to make the best out of it. Low Band captain is Dietmar, DL3DXX. And we have quite some other Low Band freaks in the team.

Back in time...TY22DX Benin 2001 operation



5U, NIGER The F6KOP DXpedition postponed their plans due to the situation in Niger. As in every year the team will be composed of a dozen operators of various nationalities. We will be active on as many authorized bands and modes including QO-100. Detailed information will be provided later. Please note that F6KOP was initially supposed to go to Guyana (8R) in October. But in order not to short-circuit the young German operators who have announced they will be going there at the beginning of 2024, we have chosen to change our destination.

5W, SAMOA Livio 9A7Y, Mladen 9A2NA, Borut S50B and Rolando 9A3MR will be active as 5W0LM between October 1 and October 14. Operation from 1.8 to 50 Mhz using CW, SSB and FT8. QTH is Malololelei near Apia. QSL via 9A3MR.

5X, UGANDA The Czech DX Team will be active as 5X3K between September 29 and October 7. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via OK6DJ, LoTW and Club Log OQRS.

5X, UGANDA Thomas, DL7BO will be active as 5X7O from Kampala. Dates not yet known. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via DJ6TF. More to follow.

8R, GUYANA "Four young ambitious DXers ranging in age from 20 to 25 years old" (namely

Sven DJ4MX, Philipp DK6SP, Tomi HA8RT and Jamie M0SDV) will be active from Guyana during February 14-24, 2024 (callsign TBA). Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, FT8 and RTTY. QSL via M0OXO's OQRS and LoTW. The Northern California DX Foundation will provide \$5,000 in financial support for the expedition, as they "want to encourage the next generation of DXpeditioners". NCDXF wants also "to let any planned DXpedition know that, if they request funding from NCDXF and we provide a grant, we will also underwrite the costs of a younger (ages 20-35) person/s on the trip". <https://8r-2024.com/>

9U, BURUNDI Antonello, IK2DUW confirms there is a DXpedition in preparation, sponsorship is sought. More to follow.

A2, BOTSWANA Sajid, VA3QY announces he will be heading to his homeland of Botswana starting September 16 and staying there until October 8, 2023. QRV as A22EW on 20-10 meter and possibly 6 meter. QSL via eQSL.

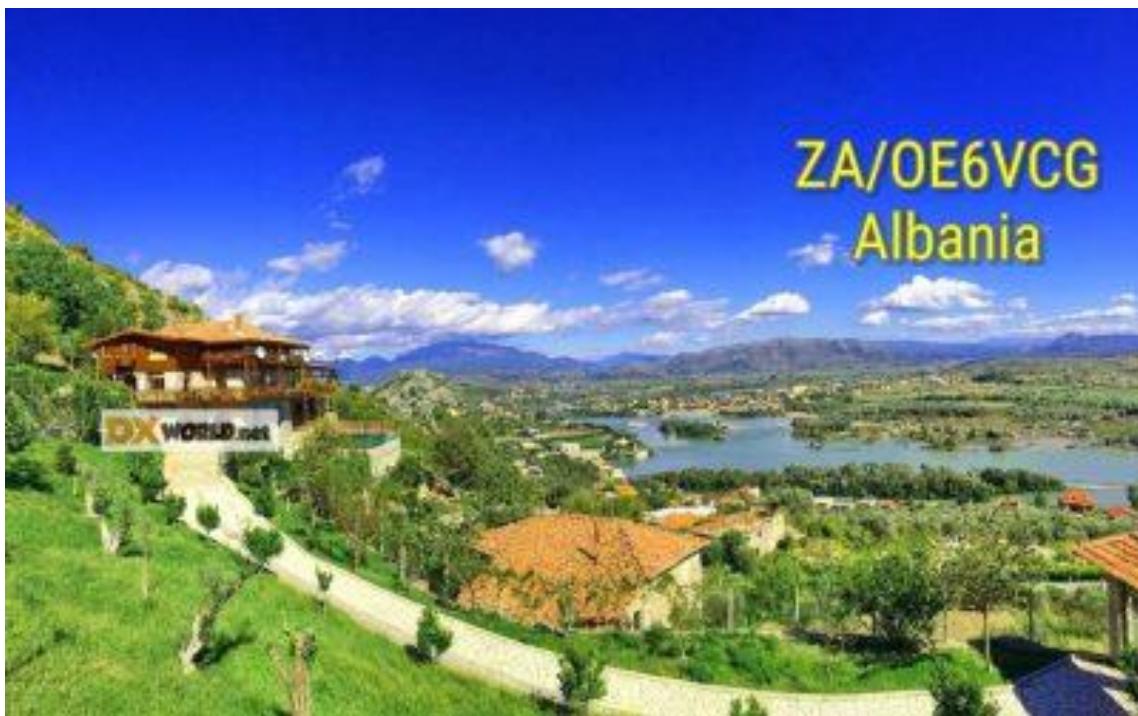
CE0Z, JUAN FERNANDEZ A team with Nick XQ1KZ, Pablo CE1KV, Willy XQ3SA, Willy XQ3SK, Mike AB5EB, Ez HI3R, Otis NP4G, Zoli HA1AG, Trey N5KO and Marco CE1EW (Team Leader) will be operating as CB0ZA during February 13-20, 2024. Plans are to be QRV from the Juan Fernandez National Park CA-0022 from 160 to 2 meter using CW, SSB, digi and EME (6 and 2 meter). QSL via HA1AG. <http://cb0za.com/>

CY9, ST PAUL ISL The CY0S team, along with members of the previous CY9C DXpeditions, is pleased to announce their plans to go back to St Paul Island CY9, in July/August 2024. Access to St Paul Island is only available in the two months of July and August. The larger, main island (Atlantic Cove site) is controlled by the Canadian Wildlife Service and is off-limits. DXpeditions can only be set up on the much smaller "Northeast" Island (Rock!). The CY9C team will once again have a helicopter available to access the Northeast Island as there is no dock or landing area for a boat. Much more information, including a website, will be available later this year and into 2024.

D4, CAPE VERDE Harald, DF2WO will again be active from Praia, Santiago Island as D44TWO during September 2-17. QRV from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, FT8 & QO-100 SAT.

E6, NIUE Michael, DF8AN will be operating as E6AJ between November 3 and November 10. Operation on HF using CW and digi in 'holiday-style'. QSL via home call.

E6, NIUE Stan LZ1GC and Ivan LZ1PM will be operating as E6AM between October 10 and October 27. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8. Logs uploaded during the Dxpedition to Club Log. QSL via LZ1GC OQRS, direct or bureau.



FM, MARTINIQUE FM5BH, FM5FJ, F5VHJ and M0MHQ (JA0JHQ) will be active from Martinique as TO5A during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 28-29, 2023). QRV in M/2 Category. QSL: USA SASE via WA6WPG. Others via F5VHJ, LoTW, OQRS, REF Bureau.

F00, AUSTRAL ISL Haru, JA1XGI will be operating as TX5G between March 25 and April 3, 2024. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW and digi. QSL via LoTW.

<https://australvacation.amebaownd.com/>

F00, CLIPPERTON ISL The Perseverance DX Group is planning a major DXpedition to Clipperton Island during January 18 and February 2, 2024. Plan is to be QRV as TX5S between 160 and 6

meter using CW, SSB and digi. It has been 11 years since the last activation. Team members include: Jacky ZL3CW, Dave K3EL, Steve W1SRD, Ricardo PY2PT, Gene K5GS, Heye DJ9RR, Laci HA0NAR, Walt N6XG, Rob N7QT, Glenn KE4KY, Chris N6WM, Arliss W7XU, Philippe FO4BM, Dave WD5COV and Andreas N6NU. Joining the team will be a scientist from the University of French Polynesia who will conduct studies while on the island. <https://clip.pdxg.net/>

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA Look for TX6D (DL7DF, DK1BT, DL4WK, DL6SAK, DL7BO and DL7UFR) from Tahiti between October 2 and October 15. Activity from 160 to 10 meter (60 meter also) using CW, SSB and digi. <http://www.dl7df.de/fo/>

FO/M MARQUESAS ISL A large team with F6BCW, F6EEQ, F6FMC, F6HBI, F5VHQ, F5JRX, F5LRL, F4ISZ and F1MNQ will be active as TX7L from Hiva Oa Island during November 4-19. QRV from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, FT4/8 and RTTY with 4 stations. QSL via F6EXV or Club Log QRSS.

FT/G GLORIOSO ISL Mark, FH4VVK will be active from Grande Glorieuse, Glorioso Islands as FT4GL later this year. Support team: F5IRO, F8CRS, F5RQQ. QSL via F4FTV. Check QRZ.com for further updates. A website is under construction.

FT/X, KERGUELEN It's apparently no secret that Thierry F6CUK of FT8WW fame plans (emphasis on plans) to go with a second operator to the Kerguelen Islands in late 2024. Wait and see for more..

On the scene...FO/F4JFH French Polynesia



FP, ST PIERRE & MIQUELON Chris, VO1CH updates DX-World that due to Covid-19, the TO5T DXpedition to St Pierre & Miquelon has been postponed sometime in 2023. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. <http://www.to5t.com/>

FS, ST MARTIN The next TO9W will take place from November 26 until December 8. The 2023 team includes K9NU, N9EP, FS4WBS, W9AP and K9EL. Operation on all bands and all modes with focus on low bands and CW. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included. Real-time upload via Club Log, LoTW or via W9ILY direct. <https://www.k9el.com/TO9W/TO9W.htm>

H4, SOLOMON ISL A team of Washington State amateur radio operators will be active as H44WA in March 2024. More to follow. <http://www.h44wa.com/>

H40, TEMOTU The Intrepid DX Group has released their next DXpedition to Temotu Province as H40WA between October 26 and November 9. A team of 8 operators with Rob N7QT, Paul N6PSE, Sandro VE7NY, Jun OE1JUN/JH4RHF, Heye DJ9RR, Laci HA0NAR and Arliss W7XU and Walt N6XG will do efforts on the low bands using CW, SSB and FT8. [Temotu 2023 DXpedition – Intrepid DX Group \(intrepid-dx.com\)](#)

J3, GRENADA A team of Belgian low band DXers with Franky ON7RU, Marc ON4MA and Karel ON5TN will be QRV during March 4-16, 2024. Operation from 160 to 10 meter. More to follow.

JD1, OGASAWARA Look for JD1BQP from Chichijima between October 26 and November 2. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included, outside the contest active from 160 to 6 meter using mainly SSB. QSL via home call direct.

KH8, SWAINS ISL The W8S DXpedition to Swains Island is now set to take place on October 4 - 17. The team (DJ9RR, DL2AMD, DL6JGN, KO8SCA, NG7M, PA2KW, PA3EWP, PA4WM, PA5X and PG5M) will operate CW, SSB, FT8 and RTTY on all bands with six stations from two operating sites. "Due to Covid and the global economic situation, our costs have increased considerably compared to 2020", PA3EWP says. The total cost has increased to EUR 125,000,

and donations will be gratefully accepted.

P4, ARUBA John, W2GD will once again be active as P40W between October 24 and October 30. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included. Outside the contest focus on WARC bands and 160 CW. QSL via LoTW or N2MM.

PJ6, SABA PJ6DX callsign recently added to the QRZ.com database by Tom KH0/KC0W. This will be a CW DXpedition. More to follow.

PJ7, ST MAARTEN Tom, AA9A will once again be QRV as PJ7AA between March 2 and March 10, 2024. Activity from 40 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW, Club Log OQRS.

PJ7, ST MAARTEN Gary, KC9EE will once again be QRV in 'holiday-style' between November 20-29 as PJ7EE. Activity on HF primarily on CW using a vertical antenna. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included. QSL via LoTW.

PZ, SURINAME Renato, PY8WW will be active as PZ5TW between October 25 and November 3. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included. QSL via home call.

S7, SEYCHELLES A team with G3WPH, G4IRN, G4PVM and GD4XUM will be active S79K during the CQWW DX CW contest (November 25-26). Outside contest active as S79/homecalls.

T2, TUVALU The Rebel DX Group will be active as T22T mid-September for about 20 days. Operation with 9 sations from 160 to 6 meter using CW and FT8, with some SSB.

T2, TUVALU The German DXpedition Team will be operating as T2C between October 10 and October 30. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via DL4SVA and LoTW.

[DXpedition Tuvalu T2C - 2023 - Welcome \(mydx.de\)](#)

T32, EAST KIRIBATI Ken, KH6QJ will once again be operating as T32AZ from Crystal Lodge between September 1 and October 17. Operation on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via home call.

T8, PALAU Yoshi JR3QFB (T88JH), Miyo JO3LVG (T88MK) and Hiro JM1LIG (T88FM) will be active from the Palau Radio Club / Shack during September 12 and September 18. QRV on HF bands using various modes. QSL via homecalls.

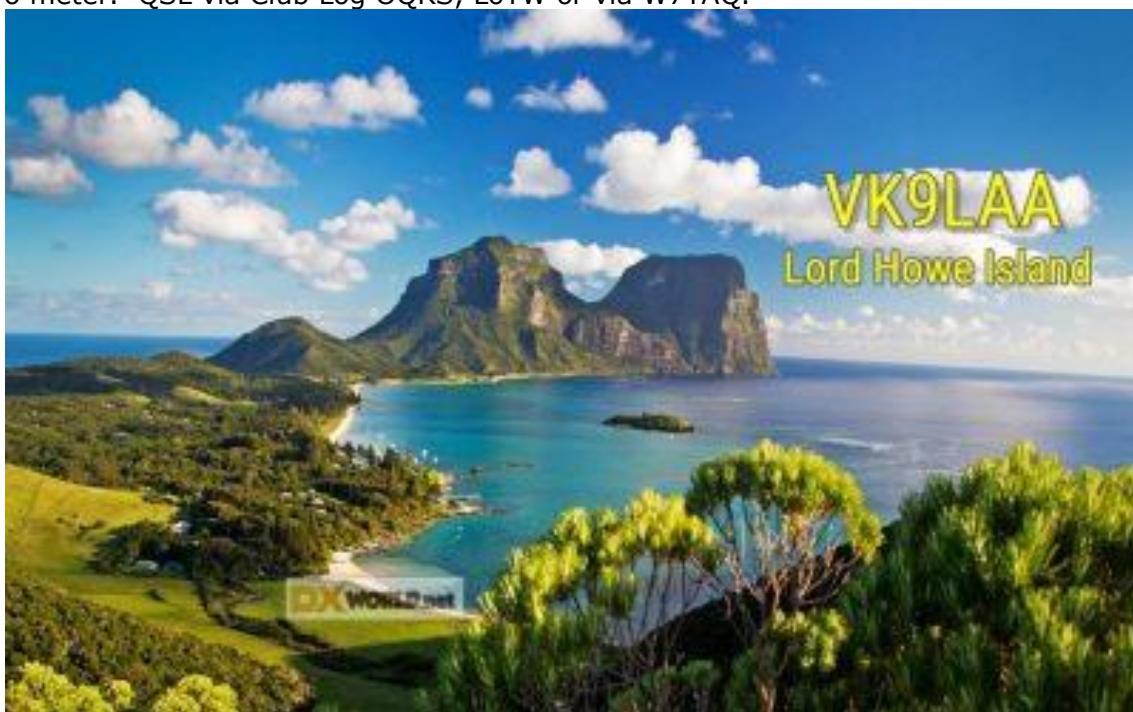
V3, BELIZE Mark DK8MM and Uwe DL8UD will be active from Maya Hill as V31XT and V31KO between September 6 and September 14. An entry in the WAE SSB contest is included as V3O. QSL for V31XT via DL8MM, direct or bureau. QSL for V3O via DL8UD, direct or bureau.

V6, MICRONESIA A team with DL2AWG, DK2AMM, DL2AMD and DF4GV will be active from Chuuk Isl OC-011 as V6EU between November 15 and November 28. Activity from 160 to 10 meter with perhaps 60 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via DL2AWG, Club Log, LoTW.

V6, MICRONESIA Miki, JJ2CJB will be operating as V63CB during the CQWW SSB contest (Oct 28-29). QSL via home call direct or LoTW.

V6, MICRONESIA Active from Weno island, Chuuk State, Federated States of Micronesia (F.S.M) during September 18-21, look for the following calls: V63Z/V6AAA by JH2BNL, V6WW by JA2NQG V63FM by JI2UAY, V63OS by JR2WER, V63VB by JA2VBK. QRV on 160-6m, amplifiers, verticals and dipoles. QSL via ops instructions.

VK9L, LORD HOWE ISL Bob W7YAO and Al K7AR will be operating as VK9LAA between September 20 and October 4. An entry in the CQWW RTTY contest is included. Operation from 160 to 6 meter. QSL via Club Log OQRS, LoTW or via W7YAO.



VK9X, CHRISTMAS ISL Chris, GM3WOJ and Keith, GM4YXI (both previously A35V, V6Z, VK9CZ, ZK2V) will be active from Christmas Island as VK9XGM during November 21 to December 5, 2023. Two stations active on SSB/CW. Also one station active on FT8 or FT4. Multi-two entry in the CQWW CW Contest 2023. 'VK9XGM will be running two separate stations. How we divide our activity between CW, SSB and FT4/8 will depend on a number of factors including conditions, QSO balances and operator fatigue!'

VP2M, MONTSERRAT Thaire, W2APF will once again be active as VP2MDX between January 11 and April 11, 2024. Operation on HF using BuddiPole portable Hexbeam, Doublet for 30M, End-fed for 40M. QSL via home call, LoTW.

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISL Dave, W9DR will be active as VP2V/call from Anegada Isl sometime June 2024. Operation on 6 meter only using FT8, CW and SSB. QSL via QRZ.com information.

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISL Dario, KP4DO will be operating from Tortola as VP2V/call. Dates not yet mentioned. More to follow.

YJ, VANUATU A team with NC7M (YJ0TT), K6VHF (YJ0NA), W6UC (YJ0UC) and NG7E (YJ0ET) will be QRV from Port Vila from October 26 until November 3. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi + 23cm EME. <https://www.dxobsessed.org/>

YJ, VANUATU A team with N4VGE as team leader will be active for 2 weeks in October 2024. Activity on HF using CW, SSB and digi with an entry in the ARRL 10m contest on December 14-15.

YN, NICARAGUA Robert, DL7VOA will be QRV from Guacalito de la Isla as YN5AO. Dates are still in planning phase due to COVID. Operation in 'holiday-style' with a focus on the low bands. QSL via Club Log OQRS. <https://www.qrz.com/db/YN5AO>

ZD7, ST HELENA Chris HB9FIY will once again be active as ZD7CA for a few weeks in December 2023 / January 2024. He asks what are the most wanted bands /modes from ZD7. QSL via EA5GL.

On the scene...JK1CFT/JD1 Ogasawara



ZL7, CHATHAM ISL A team with JF1OCQ, JA1SVP and JE1SYN will be active as ZL7A during November 9-22. Active from 160 to 6 meter + SAT IO-117 (430MHz). Equipment: 3 x transceivers, verticals and dipoles for HF. 4 element beam for 50MHz. Modes: SSB, CW, FT (F/H, MSHV), FM. QSL via JF1OCQ (direct).

ZL7, CHATHAM ISL Jacek, SP5EAQ is planning an one man operation as ZL7/call starting on October 20 for 2 weeks. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using SSB only. Jacek mentions that any support from organizations and individuals would be greatly appreciated as travel costs have reached an exorbitant level. He also asks you direct any questions to his email address listed on QRZ.com. The QTH in Waitangi (ZL7) has already been secured. <http://chathams.sp7dgr.pl/>

IOTA

THE NEWCOMERS

OCEANIA

OC-042 Luzon Isl Mike, W6QT will be active as DU3/call between September 1 and end January 2024. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using SSB and digi.

THE REMINDERS

AFRICA

AF-005 Santiago Isl Harald, DF2WO will again be active from Praia, Santiago Island, AF-005 as D44TWO during September 2-17, 2023. QRV on 160-6m; CW, SSB, FT8 & QO-100 SAT.

ASIA

AS-107 Samet Isl E20AX/p has had to postpone the activation of Samet Island that was originally scheduled for 8-10 January 2022 because of the Omicron outbreak. A new date is yet to be set.

EUROPE

EU-001 Karpathos Isl Look for SV5/HB90AU between September 5 and September 21. Operation in 'holiday-style' from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. (Loc KM35OL, WWFF SVFF-0005). [SV5/HB90AU - Callsign Lookup by QRZ Ham Radio](#)

EU-060 Skyros Isl Christo LZ3FN and Thomas SV2CLJ will be active between September 1 and September 7 as SV8/calls. Operation from 80 to 2 meter using CW, SSB and digi.

NORTH AMERICA

NA-220 Maniitsoq Isl Joe, OZ0J will be operating between September 15 and September 21. Activity from 80 to 10 meter depending free space for antennas. Call is pending. QSL via Club Log OQRS, LoTW or home call.

OCEANIA

OC-011 Chuuk Isl A team with DL2AWG, DK2AMM, DL2AMD and DF4GV will be active from Chuuk Isl OC-011 as V6EU between November 15 and November 28. Activity from 160 to 10 meter with perhaps 60 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via DL2AWG, Club Log, LoTW.

OC-155 Polap Atoll

OC-299 Satawal Atoll

By Cezar VE3LYC: *'Following my return from Fiji (OC-189), I re-engaged with my contact in FSM regarding the OC-155/299 project. Based on the results of our communication, I am happy to announce that we are now working to finalize the logistics of a trip to FSM coming October/November. Its detailed schedule will be announced on this website, in due course. Note that the original voyage included boat transportation from Chuuk to Yap and back, while the current plan is for separate boat transportation within Chuuk and Yap, respectively, and flying between the two FSM state capitals via Guam.'*

Lighthouse

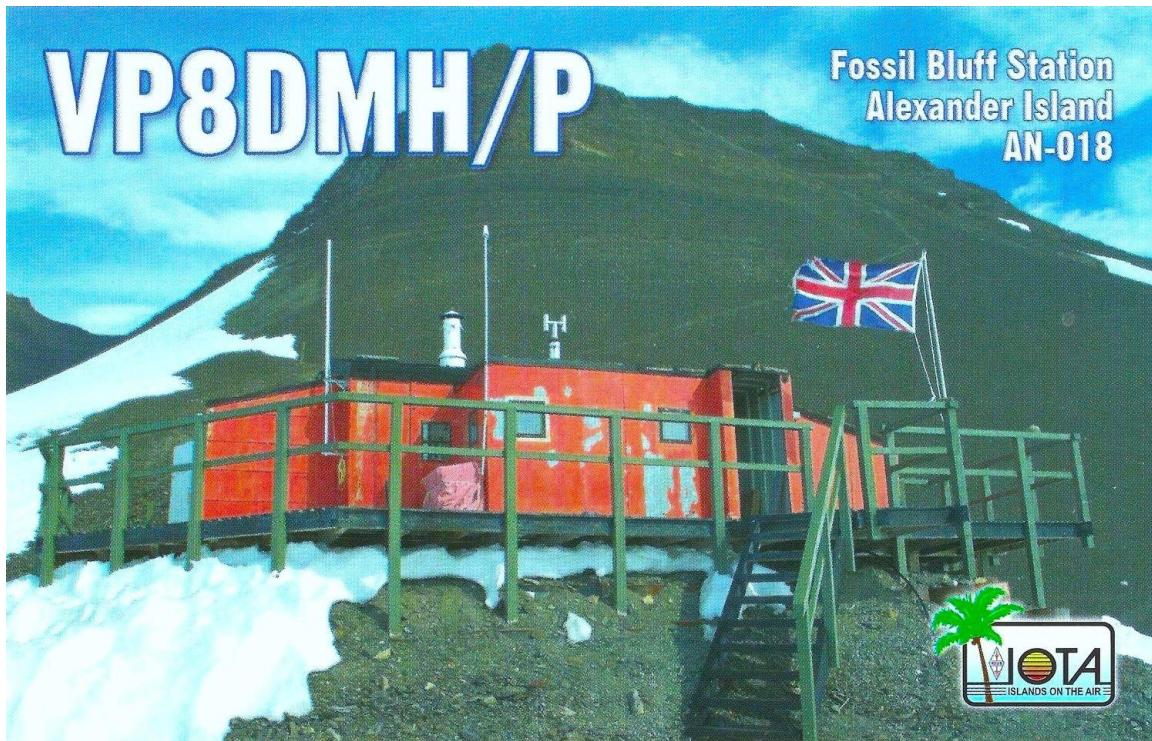
Berck-sur-Mer DJ8EI, DL1DCT, DL8KR, DK5OPA, DL5KA and DJ5KX will be QRV under TM0BSM from the lighthouse in Berck-sur-Mer (France, FR-0014) from 16-21 August 2023. QSL via LotW. Beside QO-100 (CW/SSB) they will be also QRV on HF. Logs will be loaded on to QO-100 Club, Clublog & LOTW. No QSL Cards will be printed - Confirmation is only via LOTW.

Capo Santa Maria di Leuca Members of ARI Lecce (IQ7AF) will be active as II7SML from the lighthouse at Capo Santa Maria di Leuca on 19-20 August during the International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend, and again on 6 September (157th anniversary since the lighthouse was lit for the first time). They will be QRV on the HF bands as well as on 6 and 2m (WWL JM99et). QSL via the bureau.

Hirsholm Lighthouse At the ILLW next comming weekend (august 19 + 20) OZ5GX / EDR Sæby Club are activation DK0040 / Hirsholm Lighthouse - (Also OZFF-0277 and EU-171). The Team are : OZ1FAJ, OZ2HJO, OZ2N, OZ3PRO, OZ4DW and OZ7AEI. 3-4 stations will be on the air and find us on 80m - 10m, SSB, CW and Digi. <http://ozff.oz7aei.dk/.../illw-2023-hirsholm-lighthouse.../>

Spodsbjerg Lighthouse Johanna DJ5YL and Carsten DF1XC activate the lighthouse Spodsbjerg

(DK0039) on Sjaelland Island on the 19th and 20th with the callsigns OV5YL and OV1XC. QSL via homecalls, LoTW, eQSL. (TNX DXNL)



Special calls

THE NEWCOMERS

DL, GERMANY Radio amateurs from Rostock celebrate the 125th anniversary of the lighthouse Warnemuende with the callsign DQ125LH (special DOK 125LH) until the end of October. QSL via bureau, direct, DCL, eQSL. (TNX DXNL)

F, FRANCE The radio club F4KLR airs the special event callsign TM62TLG on all Saturdays until Sept. 9. (TNX DXNL)

XE, MEXICO 6E0G is a special event callsign that puts Ghost Towns on the Air until Dec. 17. QSL via XE1EE, LoTW. (TNX DXNL)

THE REMINDERS

5H, TANZANIA **5H100TC** is the special callsign that TA1HZ, currently stationed in Tanzania and active as 5H8HZ, has been granted to use during 2023 in celebration of the 100th anniversary since the proclamation of the Republic of Turkey. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, or via M0OXO's OQRS. (TNX 425DX)

9A, CROATIA **9A66AA** is the special callsign that Tom, 9A2AA is using throughout 2023 to mark his 66th year in amateur radio. QSL via home call. (TNX 425DX)

A6, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES The national ham organisation EARS runs the special event station A60AP with additional designators /0 to /15 to mark their country's astronaut programme:

A60AP/0	Op. A61Y	QSL: EA7FTR
A60AP/1	Op. A61M	QSL: A61BK
A60AP/2	Op. A61Q	QSL: EA7FTR
A60AP/3	Op. A61FK	QSL: A61BK
A60AP/4	Op. A61BK	QSL: A61BK
A60AP/5	Op. A61DD	QSL: EA7FTR
A60AP/6	Op. A61QQ	QSL: A61BK
A60AP/7	Op. A61AY	QSL: DIRECT
A60AP/8	Op. A65GC	QSL: DIRECT
A60AP/9	Op. A61ZX	QSL: IZ8CLM
A60AP/10	Op. A65BR	QSL: DIRECT
A60AP/11	Op. A61NN	QSL: EA7FTR
A60AP/12	Op. A65GD	QSL: Direct
A60AP/13	Op. A65GJ	QSL: Direct

A60AP/14 Op. A61FJ QSL: LZ1YE

A60AP/15 Op. A61DI QSL: EA7FTR

They remain active until the end of August. (TNX DXNL) For more information see:

https://www.mbrsc.ae/service/astronaut_prog/

BV, TAIWAN Special event station **BU0SAR** is QRV until August 31 to mark the 10th anniversary of New Taipei's Urban Search and Rescue Unit. QSL via BV5OW. (TNX ARRL)

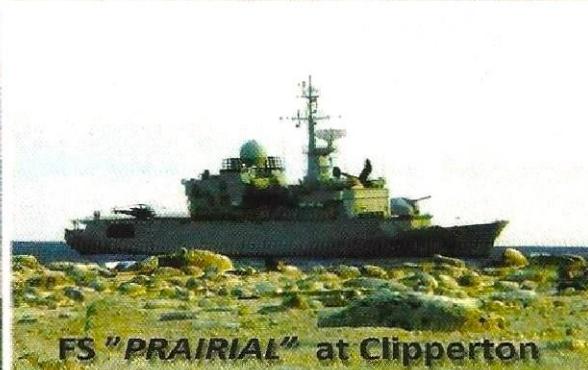
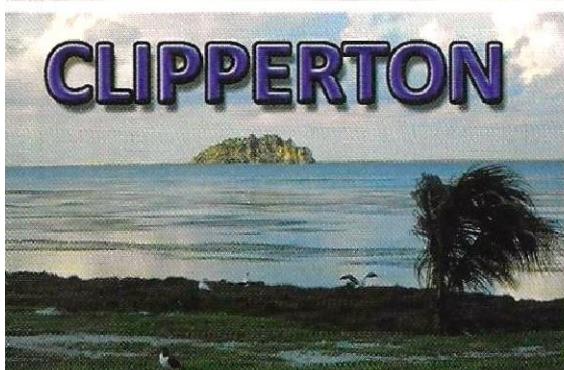
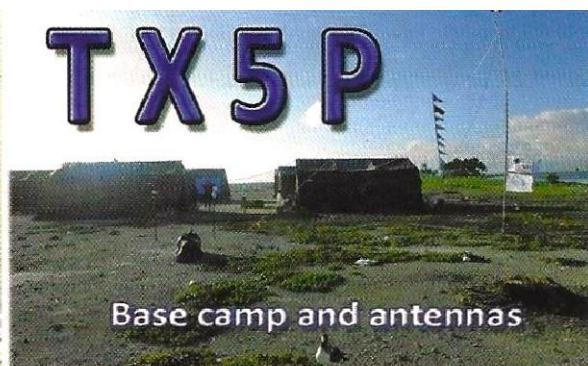
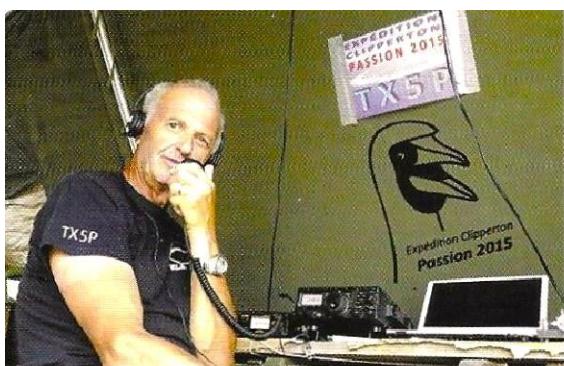
CX, URUGUAY The special event station **CX90RCU** celebrates the 90th anniversary of Uruguay's national amateur radio organisation during August. QSL via bureau, direct, LoTW. (TNX DXNL)

DL, GERMANY Special event callsign **DM23BUGA** is active until October 8. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau; direct cards via DL2VFR. The suffix stands for "Bundesgartenschau", the biennial horticulture show and festival that this year will take place in Mannheim. (TNX 425DX)

DL, GERMANY **DR45HAAN** is the special callsign for DARC's Ortsverband Haan (R24) to celebrate their 45th anniversary until September 30. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau; direct cards via DL7ET. (TNX 425DX)

DL, GERMANY The DARC club V22 runs the special event station **DM775NB** (special DOK NB775) to mark the 775th anniversary of the city Neubrandenburg in 2023. QSL via bureau or direct to DM6RAC. (TNX DXNL)

DL, GERMANY Celebrating "100 years of broadcasting in Germany", special callsign **DB100RDF** is in use during 2023. QSL via the bureau, or direct to DO2PZ. The first official radio entertainment programme in Germany was broadcast on 29 October 1923. (TNX 425DX)



F, FRANCE Franck, F4DTO, and Pattrick, F4GFE, mark the 350th anniversary of D'Artagnan's death with the callsign **TM350DA** until the end of September. An award is also available: Bronze = QSOs on 3 bands, Silver = QSOs on 4 bands, Gold = QSOs on 5 bands, Platinum = QSOs on 6 bands. For more information see qrz.com. QSL via F4GFE (d/B).

HA, HUNGARY **HG100HAR** draws attention to the first radio broadcast from Szekesfehervar (callsign HAR) 100 years ago. QSL via HA4KYB (d/B). (TNX DXNL)

HL, SOUTH KOREA Members of the Korean Amateur Radio Organisation (KARL) mark the 78th anniversary of their country's liberation with the callsign **HL78V** during August. QSL via 6K0MF (B). (TNX DXNL)

I, ITALY Celebrating the centenary of the National Park of Abruzzo, Lazio and Molise, special callsign **II6PN** will be in use between 1 August and 31 October, with main activity expected to take place on 1-17 September. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW, eQSL, or via IK6IHU. A certificate will be available. (TNX 425DX)

I, ITALY **IL3P** is a special callsign to be used between 1 July and 30 September from various locations in the Italian region of Veneto. On 28- 31 July team IL3P will be active from Pellestrina Island (EU-131), including participation in the IOTA Contest. QSL via IU3EDK, direct or bureau. (TNX 425DX)

I, ITALY The ARI section Fidenza (www.arifidenza.it) runs a "Marconi was here!" award programme throughout 2023 to mark important steps and locations in Marconi's career and in the development of wireless technology:

August: **II4GAR**; GOLFO ARANCI (SS): Short Wave contact with Rocca di Papa (Rome) 1932)

September: **II4CGD**; CASTEL GANDOLFO (ROME): inauguration of the microwave full - duplex system with the Vatican (1933)

October: **II4SML**; S. MARGHERITA LIGURE (GE): microwave RTX experiments (1931)

November: **II4CLT**; COLTANO (PI): inauguration of the first Italian intercontinental radiotelegraphic station (1911)

December: **II4CDV**; CITTA' DEL VATICANO: inauguration of the Vatican radio station (1931)

For QSL information see qrz.com. An award, based on contacts with these stations, is also available. (TNX DXNL)

LA, NORWAY **LA100K** is the special callsign for the Akademisk Radioklubb, LA1K to celebrate the 100th anniversary since its foundation. Based in Trondheim, it is the oldest amateur radio club in Norway. The special callsign is in use during 2023. QSL via the bureau, or direct. (TNX 425DX)

LX, LUXEMBOURG **LX90RTL** is a special callsign celebrating the 90th anniversary since Radio Luxembourg made its first long wave broadcast. It will be used by various LX operators from 1 July until the end of the year. Look for activity on the HF bands SSB, CW and digital modes, as well as via satellite. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the DARC bureau; the logs will be uploaded to Club Log, LoTW and eQSL on a regular basis. (TNX 425DX)

LZ, BULGARIA Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) will use six special callsigns during 2023 to honour as many different Orthodox saints: **LZ1015RW** (August), **LZ288MS** (September and October), and **LZ600PA** (November and December). QSL via the bureau or direct to P.O. Box 36, 4300 Karlovo, Bulgaria. Details on the "All Saints 2023 Award" can be found at <https://www.lz1kcp.com/>. (TNX 425DX)

OE, AUSTRIA **OE40XTU** is the special callsign for OE1XTU, the Amateur Radio Club at TU Wien (the Vienna University of Technology), to celebrate its 40th anniversary during 2023. QSL via LoTW and eQSL (preferred), paper cards to be requested via Club Log's OQRS will be sent in early 2024. (TNX 425DX)

ON, BELGIUM **OQ95RCL** is the special callsign for Radio Club Leuven (ON4CP) to celebrate its 95th anniversary throughout 2023. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, bureau, or direct to ON3AR. Free award is available see <https://hamlog.online/club/rcl/713> (TNX 425DX)

ON, BELGIUM **OO35ATH** is the special call to celebrate the 35th anniversary of the Radio Club de Ath (ATH). Active during September. (TNX OR4K)

PA, THE NETHERLANDS Special event station **PA14JAMBO** is QRV until August 17 to mark the Haarlem Jamborette, an international scout meeting hosted every 4 years in Spaarnwoude. This event welcomes about 3500 scouts hailing from more than 15 different countries. QSL via PA9LUC.

PA, THE NETHERLANDS The Scouting troop Thomas More in Prinsenbeek celebrates its 85th anniversary with the callsign **PA85TP** during 2023 and the Scouting Prinsenbeek Amateur Radio Club marks its 30th anniversary with the call **PA30SPARC**. An award for QSOs with these callsigns and PI9TP is also available from the Manager Edwin, PE5ENJ (pd5enj@msn.com). (TNX DXNL)

SM, SWEDEN **8S80AA** is the special callsign for the Vasteras Radio Klubb, SK5AA to celebrate its 80th anniversary throughout 2023. More information can be found on <https://www.sk5aa.se/>. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), via the bureau to SK5AA, or direct to SM5FUG. (TNX 425DX)

TA, TURKEY Celebrating the 100th anniversary since the proclamation of the Republic of Turkey (29 October 1923), the Turkish Radio Amateurs Association (TRAC) will operate special callsigns **TC100**, **TC100TA**, **TC100TR** and **TC100YEAR** throughout 2023. (TNX 425DX)

VK, AUSTRALIA **VK100ZL** celebrates the first trans-Tasmanian radio contact between New Zealand and Australia in 1923. QRV until the end of 2023.

VK, AUSTRALIA **VI100MB** is the special callsign for the Manly-Warringah Radio Society (VK2MB) to celebrate the 100th anniversary since its formation. Look for activity until 25 February 2024. QSL via LoTW and eQSL. (TNX 425DX)

VK, AUSTRALIA **VI75G** is the callsign for the Geelong Amateur Radio Club to celebrate its 75th anniversary throughout 2023. QSL via LoTW and eQSL, or via VK3ATL (direct and bureau). (TNX 425DX)

VK, AUSTRALIA **VI10VKFF** is the special callsign celebrating the 10th anniversary of the World Wide Flora & Fauna (WWFF) programme in Australia (<https://www.wwffaustralia.com/>). It will be used from Australian Parks until end 2023. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, or via VK5PAS (direct or bureau). (TNX 425DX)

W, USA The W/VE Island QSO Party

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Last Saturday in August.

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To promote the U.S. (USI) and Canadian (CIA) islands programs to amateurs worldwide. To promote verifiable amateur radio contacts with stations located on islands in the U.S. and Canada. W/VE island stations work everyone. Non-island stations work only W/VE islands stations.

Single transmitter only, single or multiple operators. (Multiple operator island expedition may use additional call signs to maintain single transmitter rule).

XE, MEXICO Special event station **4A2MAX** is QRV during August to honour the memory of Saint Maximilian Kolbe. QSL via LotW.

YU, SERBIA The Serbian Amateur Radio Union in the Vojvodina celebrates its 75th anniversary with the callsign **YU75SRV** throughout 2023. QSL via Club Log, eQSL, qrz.com.



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